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President Fox Visit



Mayor Randy Kelly, and Mexican President, Vicente Fox at Academia Cesar Chavez School on Friday, June 18th. Trade visit between Saint Paul and Mexico. President Fox also announced plans to open a Mexican consulate in Minnesota. (photo, Kurt Adolfson)

The New "Orb"

The Office of Technology recently began a project to reorganize and redesign the City Intranet, also known as "Theorb." The project is set to be completed this fall.

The project committee is looking for a new name for the Intranet site and is seeking feedback from employees. The individual who submits the name chosen for the new Intranet site will win an Official City of Saint Paul t-shirt from the CVB Saint Paul Store. Please send naming

ideas to city.update@ci.stpaul.mn.us no later than the end of business July 15th. The winner will be announced in August.



Screen shot of the current Intranet site also called "Theorb" (<http://theorb.ci.stpaul.mn.us>)

Please print this for your co-workers. The City is continuing to save money by not producing printed copies of the City Update, but still needs to communicate to all employees. Please help by printing this newsletter (preferably back-to-back) for workers in your area who do not have computer access. Thank you.

New Mapping Service

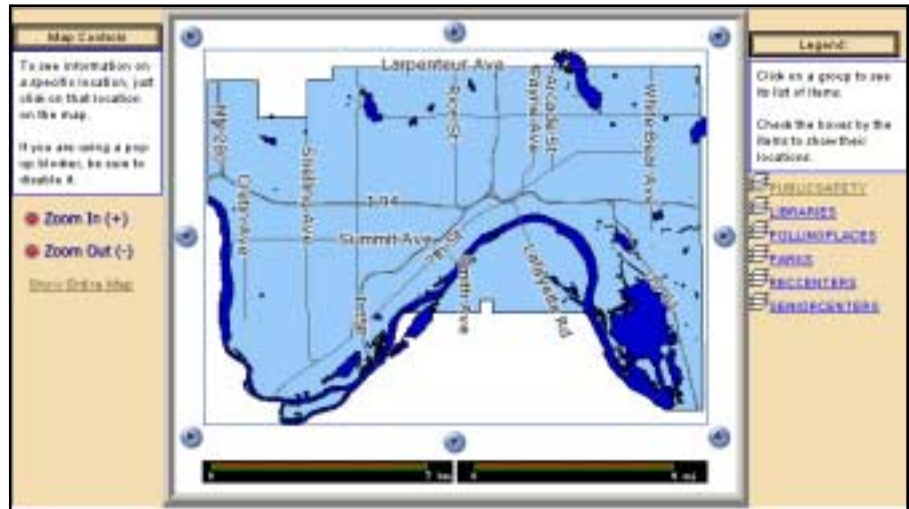
The “Where in St. Paul?” map-ping service is now available on the City Web site. The service allows people to easily find important places including polling locations, libraries, and parks.

Steve Lorbach, Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Coordinator for the City of Saint Paul, created “Where in St. Paul?” in response to increasing public demand for map-driven location services.

Lorbach says “The Office of Technology developed ‘Where In St. Paul’ to help our citizens and visitors locate city services in a quick, efficient manner. By using visual means for locating services, they are able to find what they need quicker and easier than by a mere address. We plan to expand the list of services in the coming months and to modify the map as we hear from our users.”

“We at Saint Paul Public Library are delighted that the City can offer this service to our customers,” said Library Director Gina LaForce. “Requests for locations of library facilities is one of the most frequent questions our staff receive. GIS mapping is a great way to save Saint Paul residents time while providing enhanced service.”

GIS services like “Where in St. Paul” are part of a larger initiative at the City to use spatial data to deliver useful information to citizens and public agencies.



Screen shot of “Where in St. Paul” Web site. Link is found on the City Web site or directly at <http://webmaps.ci.stpaul.mn.us>



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City job openings as of June 25th, 2004

Application deadline	Job title	Bi-weekly or hourly salary rate	Exam date
07/12/04	Bridge Crew Leader (prom)	\$21.75 per hr	See Job Ann

Note: Call or visit the Office of Human Resources to receive the official job announcement for these positions. Location: 400 City Hall Annex. Phone: (651) 266-6500 or visit the web site: www.ci.stpaul.mn.us/jobopenings. For jobs announced after this date, please call our 24-hour job line, (651) 266-6502.